

Community Engagement



**Planning and Development Board
Public Hearing
April 1, 2013**

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT MEMBERS



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MISSION STATEMENT



The community engagement team is a new initiative to get businesses, residents and organizations engaged in a sustained campaign to improve and enhance the quality of life in Newton. The team works to develop a partnership between the city, residents and businesses through outreach and community meetings. The community meetings are used as a vehicle to listen to the community's needs, concerns, and to work in a collaborative way to address the issues in the village.

FIRST NONANTUM MEETING



- November 28th, 2012
- Approx. 40 residents/businesses attended the meeting
- What we heard from the community (needs and concerns)
 - Sidewalk conditions/curb cut accessibility improvements
 - Crosswalks/painting and adding
 - Traffic Calming
 - Way finding signs/missing stop signs
 - Business façade improvement
 - Cars parked on sidewalks
 - Tree planting



WHAT WE DID AFTER THE MEETING



- Walked through Nonantum
- Identified the areas discussed at the meeting
- Took photographs
- Met with the Mayor and City departments
- Looked at short-term and long-term solutions
- Developed a plan of action to address the short-term and long-term solutions
- Returned to Nonantum on February 27, 2013
 - Bill Paille discussed the short-term and long-term solutions
 - Short-term solutions- In the Spring

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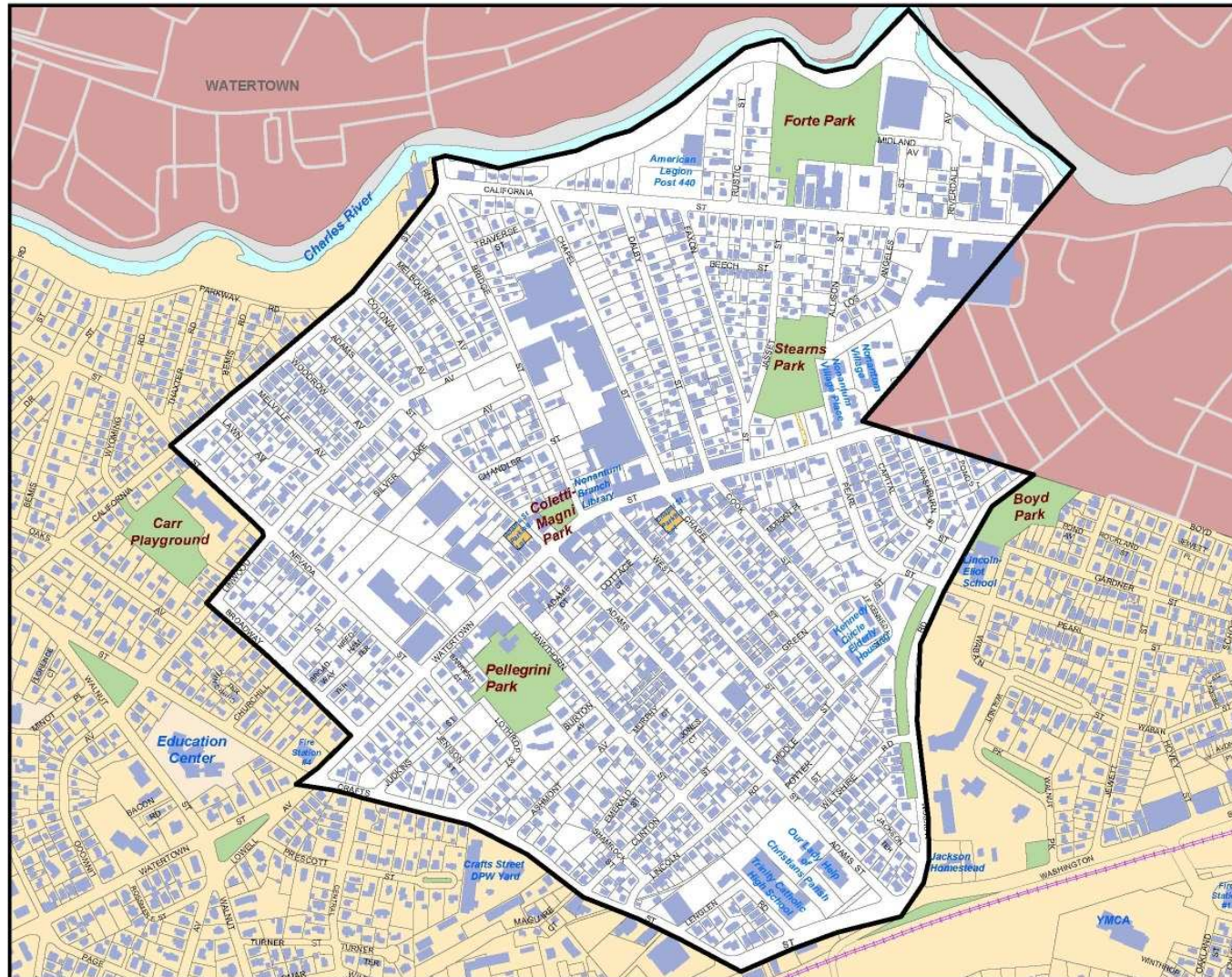


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Nonantum Target Neighborhood in Newton



Nonantum Target Neighborhood



Nonantum CDBG Target Neighborhood

City of Newton



Census Tracts 3732 01, 3732 02, 3732 03, 3732 04
37.0% Low/Moderate Income
2000 U.S. Census



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MAP DATE: August 20, 2009

Project Corridor





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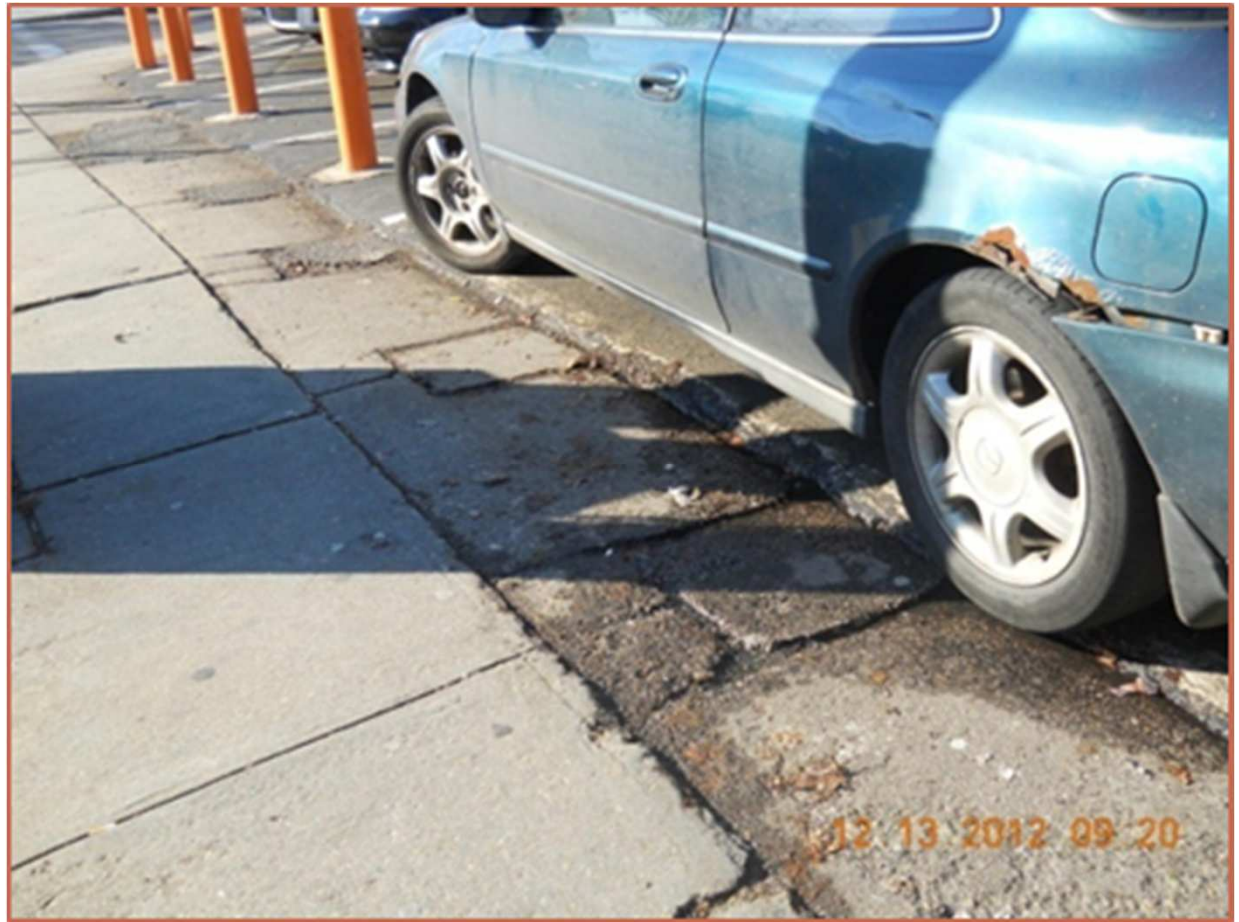
Sidewalks





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**Existing
Conditions**

Gutterline





Existing Conditions

Tree Pits





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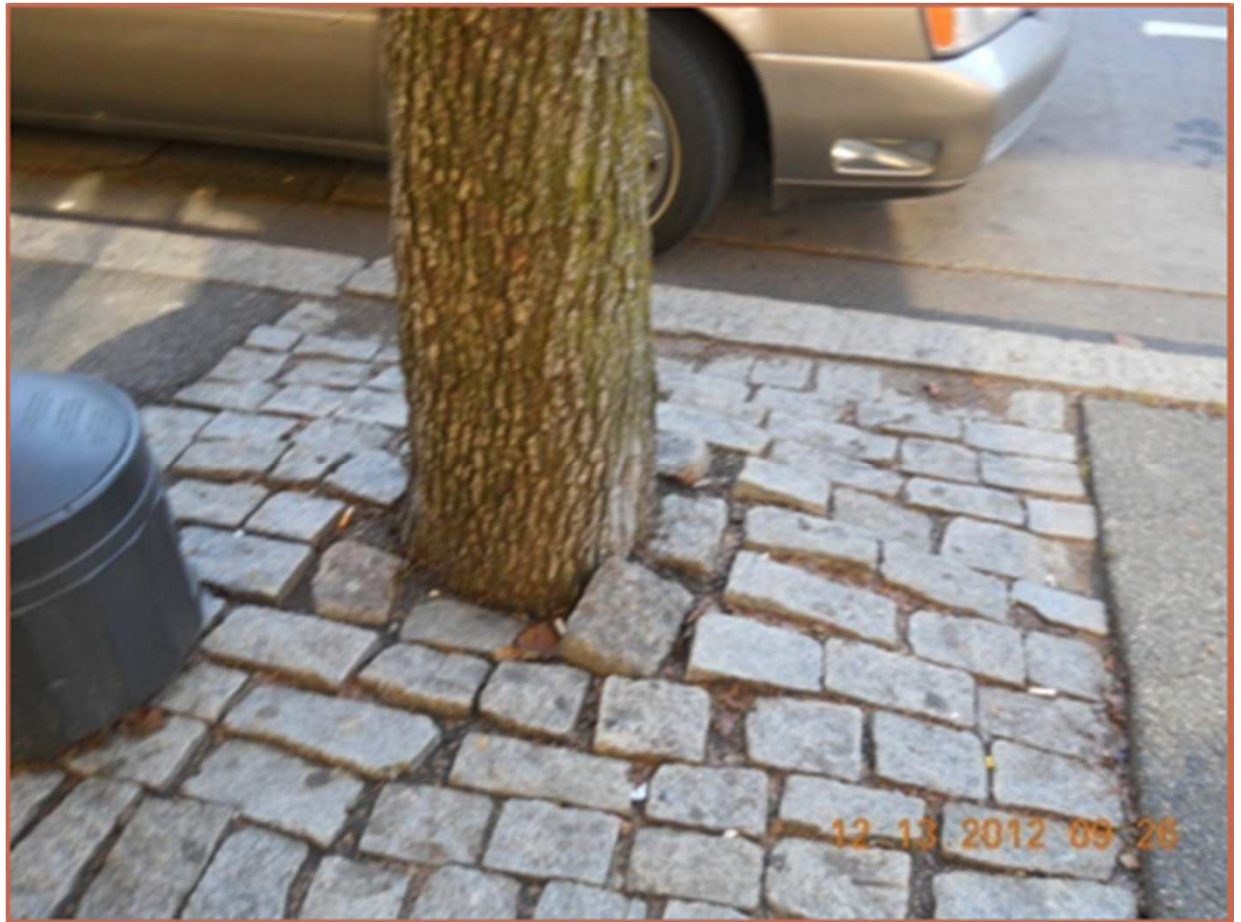
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Request for CDBG Funds for Infrastructure Improvements



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Crosswalk and Intersection Improvements



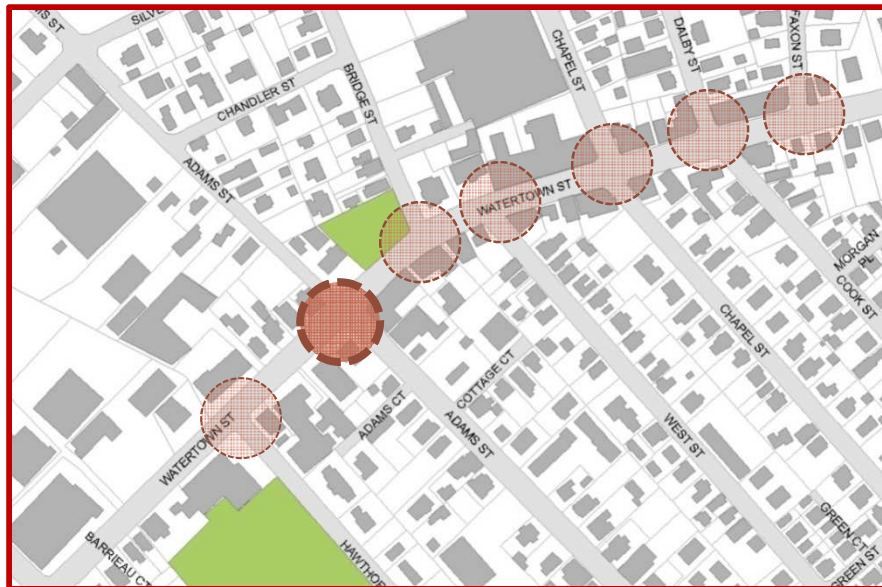
Watertown Street & Hawthorn Street



Solution

Install new wheelchair ramps with detectable warning panels

Watertown Street & Adams Street

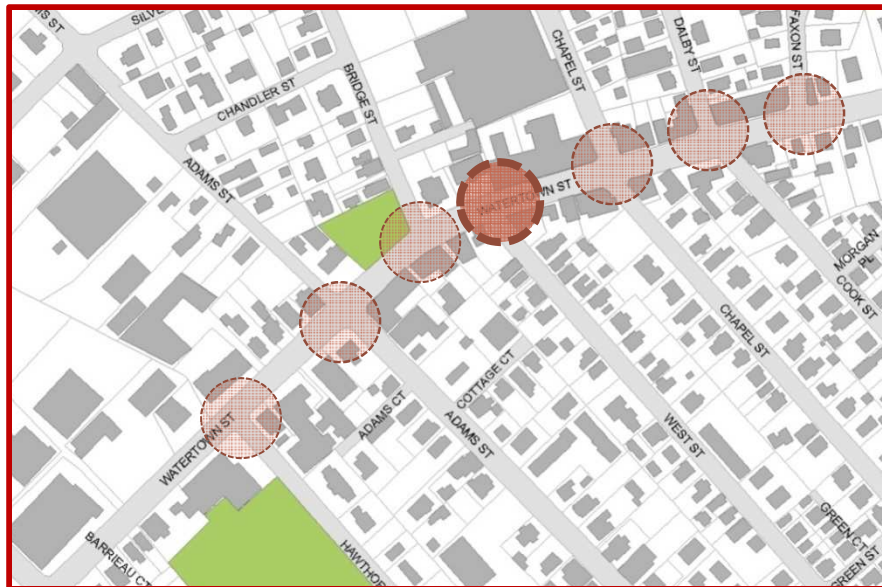


Solution

Replace existing wheelchair ramps and add new detectable warning panels

Replace sidewalk and construct separation along Dunkin Donuts property

Watertown Street & West Street



Solution

Install new crosswalk

Watertown Street & West Street



Solution

Install new detectable warning panels
at each existing wheelchair ramp

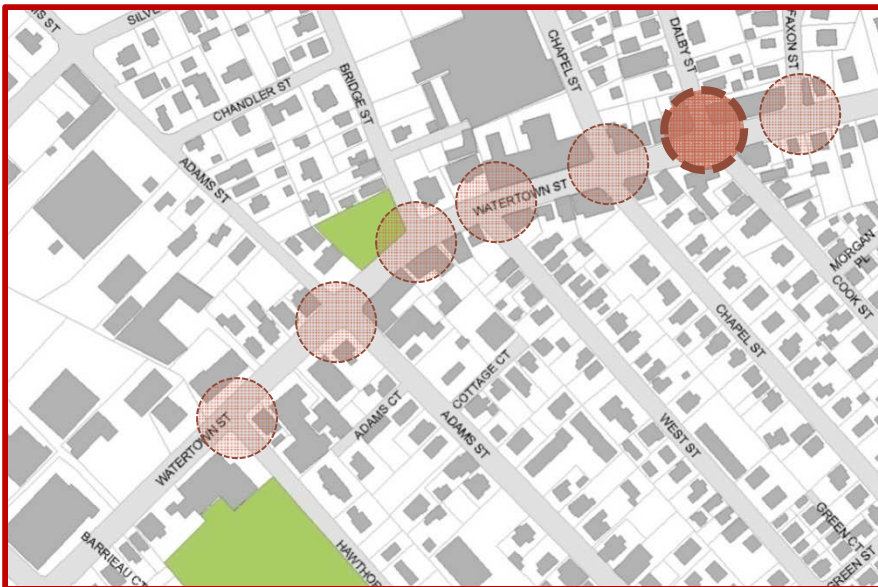
Watertown Street & Chapel Street



Solution

Replace existing wheelchair ramps and install new detectable warning panels

Watertown Street & Cook/Dalby Streets



Solution

Replace existing wheelchair ramps and install new detectable warning panels

Reconfigure existing driveway at corner

Watertown Street & Faxon Street



Solution

Install new detectable warning panels at NW and NE wheelchair ramps

Replace existing wheelchair ramp and install new detectable warning panel on southside ramp

Trees & Tree Pits



Nonantum CDBG Funding Request



	Cost	
Wheelchair ramps with detectable warning panels at crosswalks	\$ 80,000	7 intersections (Hawthorn to Faxon)
Sidewalk panels	\$ 26,900	245 panels x \$110
Gutter lines	\$ 10,500	Hawthorn to Faxon
Trees	\$ 8,000	10 trees x \$800
TOTAL	\$125,400	

Other Initiatives in Nonantum CDBG



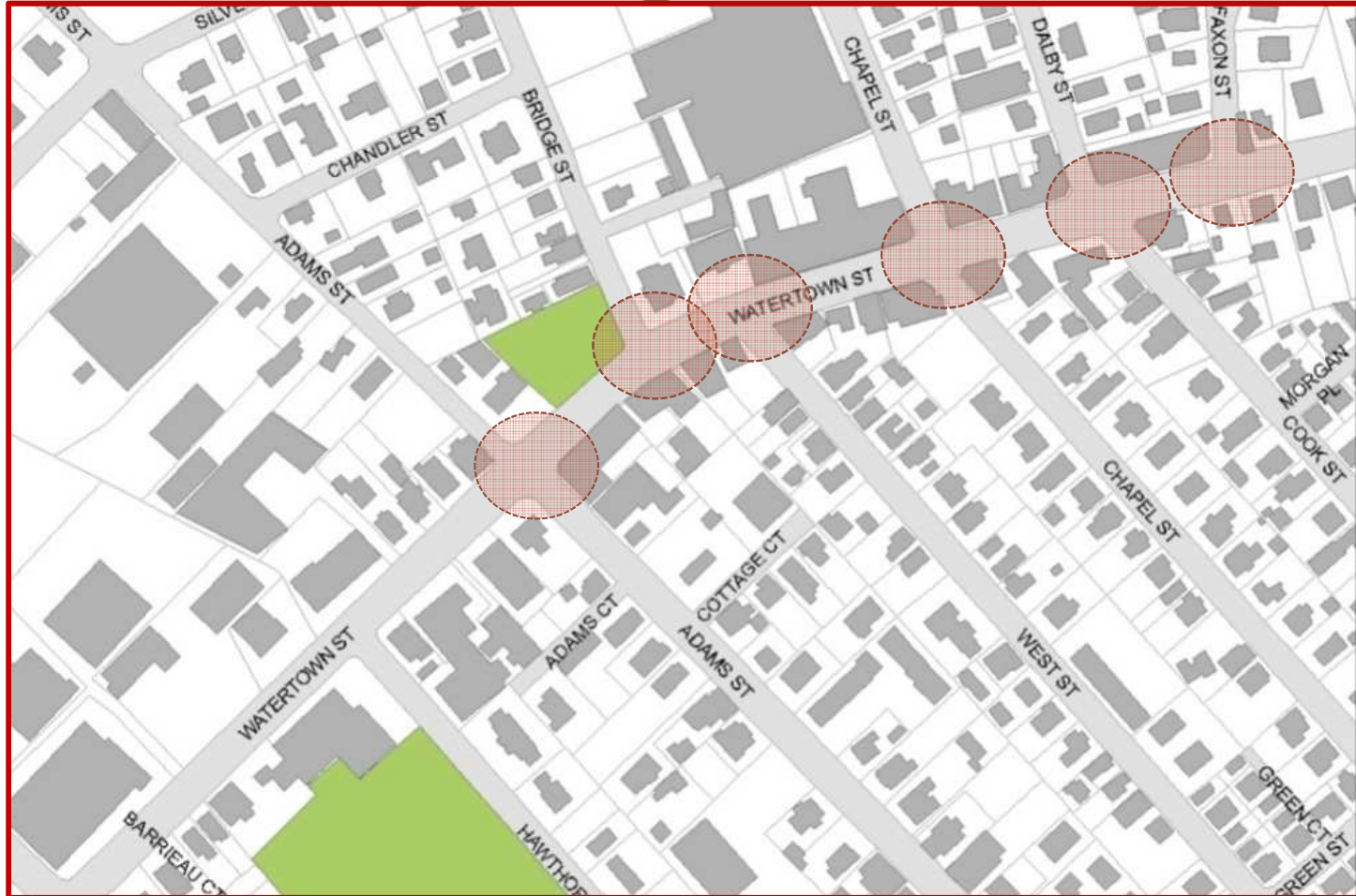
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Façade Improvement Program

Proposed Program	Proposed Grants/Loans
<p>Planning and Community Development Department proposing a Façade Improvement Program</p> <p>CDBG Target Areas, starting with Nonantum</p> <p>Eligible businesses must serve residents of target neighborhood & meet other criteria</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Architectural Design Grant<ul style="list-style-type: none">• City Economic Development funds• up to \$2,0002. Five year Reimbursable Deferred Forgivable Loan with 100% match<ul style="list-style-type: none">• CDBG Economic Development funds• up to \$35,000



Spring 2013 Improvements



	City	CDBG
Infrastructure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Repair existing pavement and paint crosswalks at 6 intersections - Install new signage (stop signs, pedestrian crossing, wayfinding) - Purchase new trash/recycling bins - Repaint hydrants, boxes, curbing - Continue BoxArt program - Partner with local businesses on planting, landscaping - Investigate lighting concepts Parking Lot Improvements Traffic Island Improvements (DPW funds)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Install wheelchair ramps with detectable warning panels at 7 intersections - New sidewalk panels - Replace gutterline concrete - Ten new trees Total = \$125,400 Requested from CDBG funds
Façade Improvement Program	Up to \$2,000 grants for architectural services (City economic development funds)	Up to \$35,000 forgivable loans for eligible exterior improvements (CDBG economic development funds)

Comments and Questions?

